

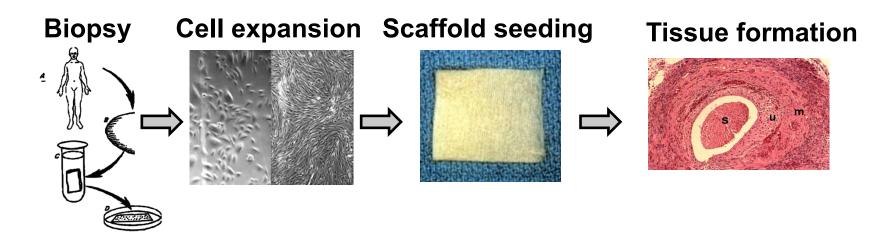
# Use of Regenerative Medicine and Bioprinting Techniques for Human Tissue Testing

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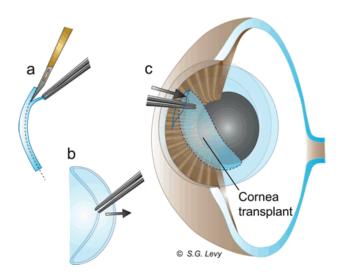
### Tissue Engineering Scheme

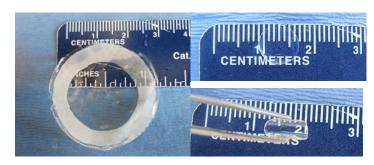
The ultimate goal of <u>Tissue Engineering</u> is to replace damaged and non-functioning tissues or organs



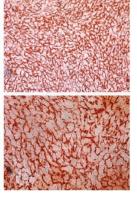
Current "state of the art": Simple, thin, tissues and organs

### Development of gel-based scaffolds for cornea transplantation

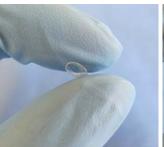














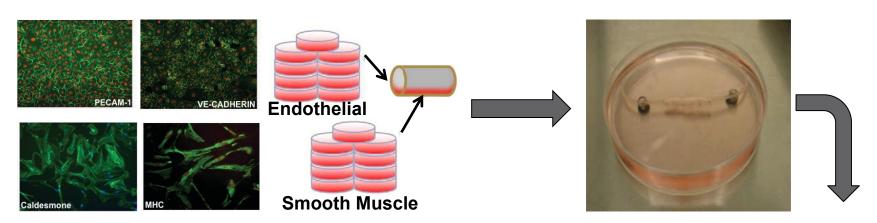
Human Corneal Endothelial Cells (3,000 cells/mm2; 7days after cell seeding)

### Bioengineered cornea transplantation

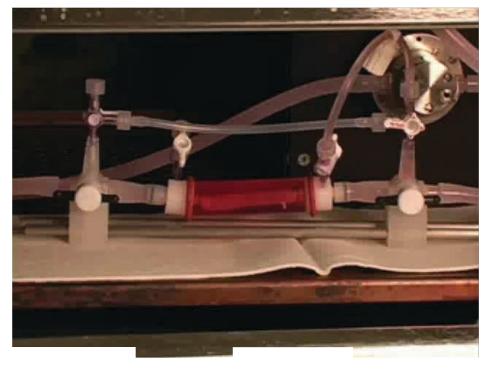


- •! New Zealand white rabbit (male)
- •! Cell seeded scaffold implanted
- •! DSEK
- •! Observation at 1, 2, 3, 4 and 5 weeks after operation
- •! Harvest and evaluation with H&E and IHC

### **Blood Vessel Engineering**

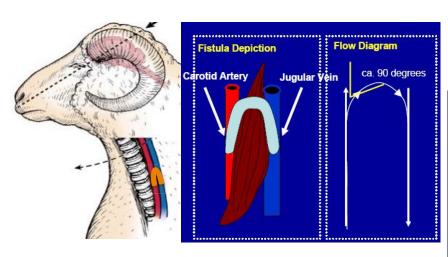


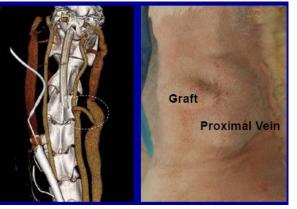




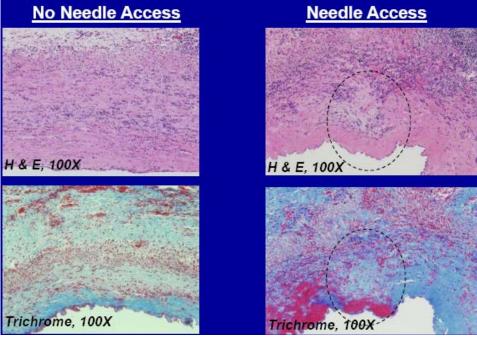
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## In vivo testing (AVF graft in sheep)

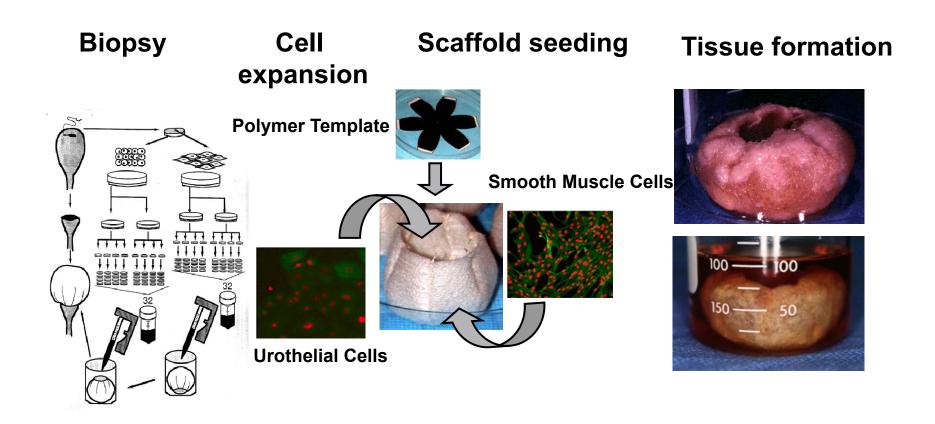




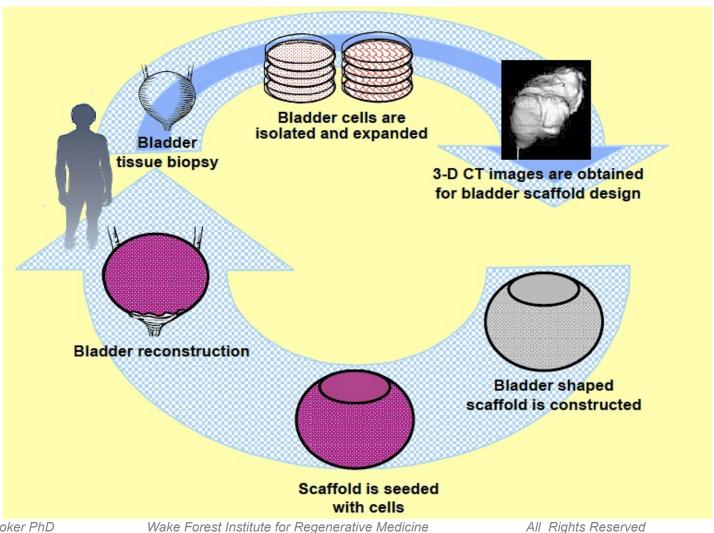




### Bladder Tissue Engineering



### Clinical Translation of **Bioengineered Bladders**



### Clinical experience



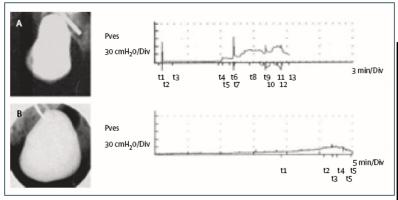
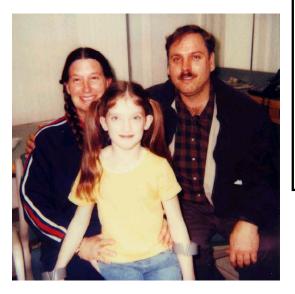




Figure 2: Preoperative (A) and 10-month postoperative (B) cystograms and urodynamic findings in patient with a collagen-PGA scaffold engineered bladder

Note irregular bladder on cystogram, abnormal bladder pressures on urodynamic study preoperatively, and improved findings postoperatively.



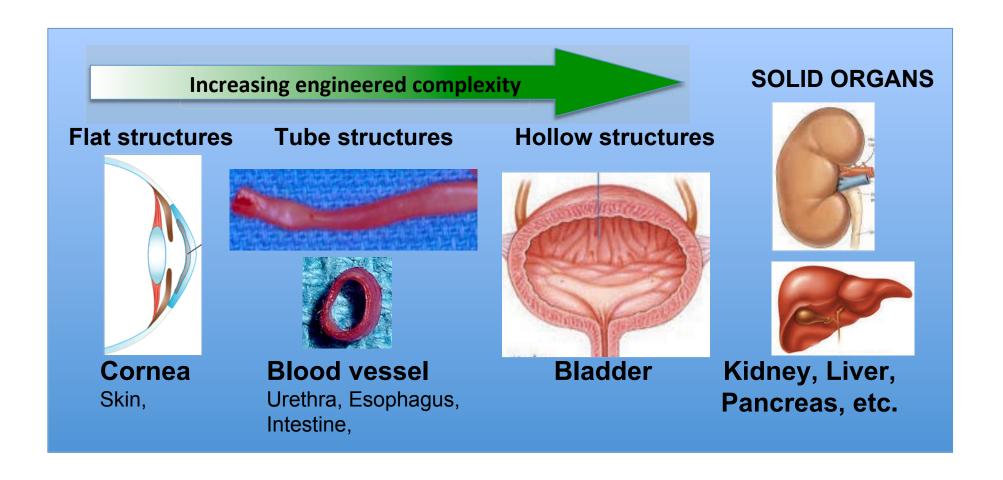
Phase 1, 2 trials completed Phase 3 in progress Over 8 year follow-up Work still in progress

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"Tissueengineered autologous bladders for patients needing cystoplasty"

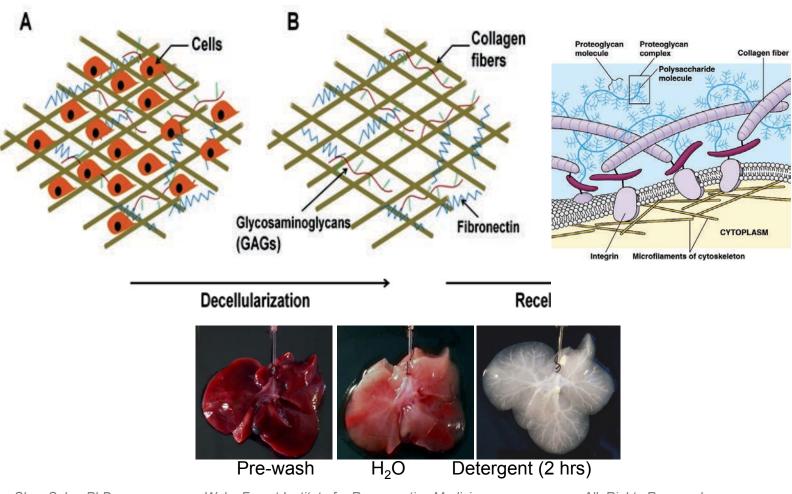
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### Progress in tissue engineering

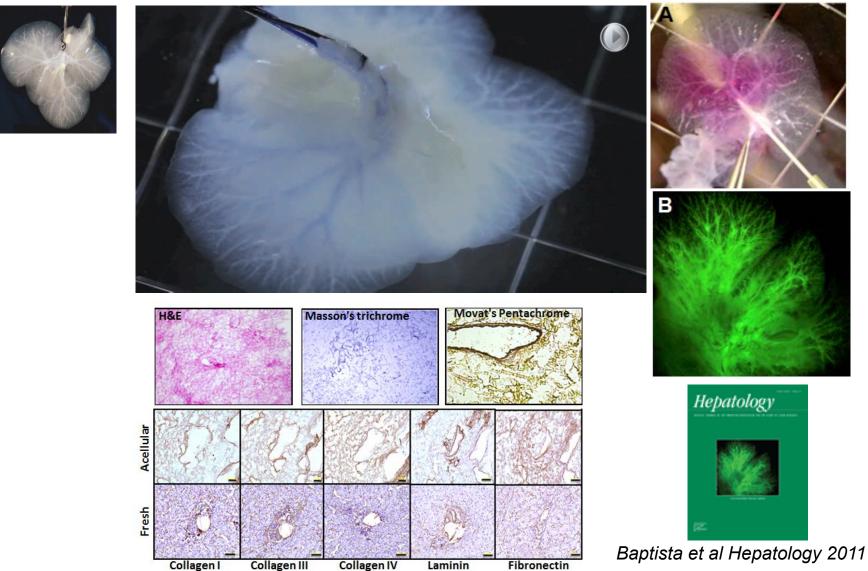


### Using native tissue as a scaffold

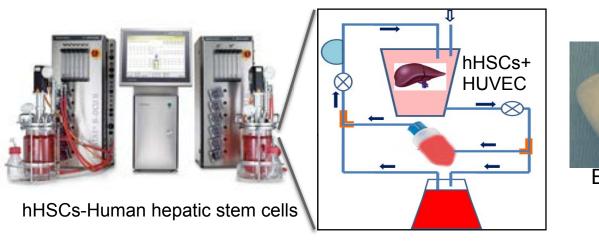
- •! Provides authentic structural support to cells.
- •! Contains several bioactive molecules which, in their unique spatial distribution, provide a reservoir of biologic signals that are difficult to artificially replicate.



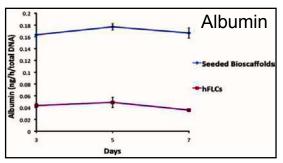
### Intact vascular network and native ECM

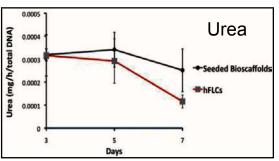


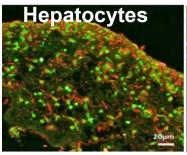
### Recellularization of the liver scaffold

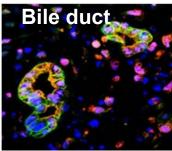


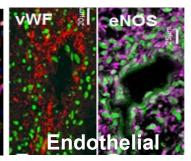


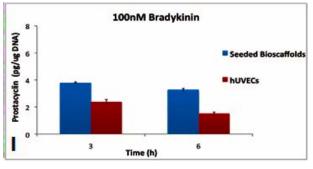






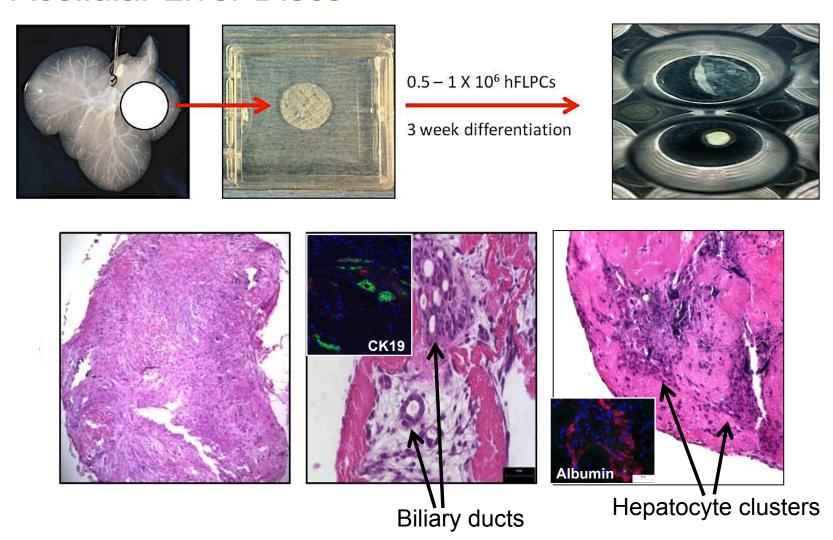


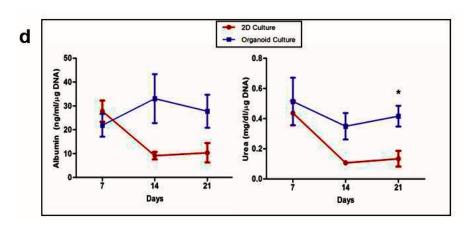


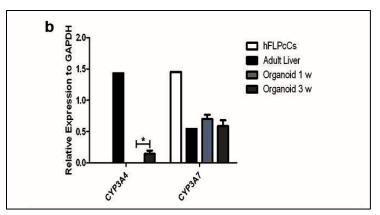


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### Bioengineered liver tissue for drug screening; Acellular Liver Discs

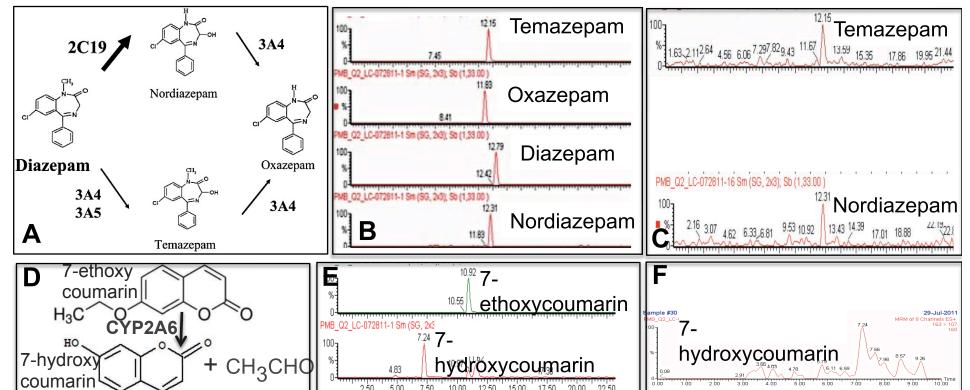






### **Standards**

#### **Liver Discs**



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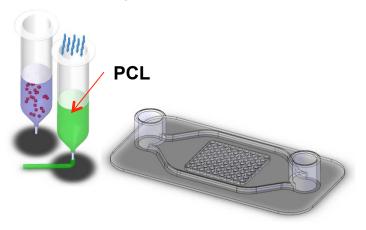
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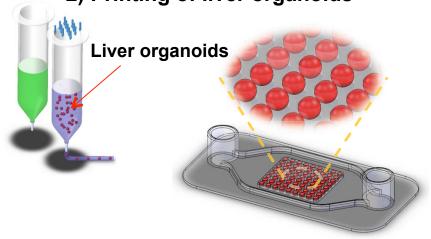
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## Bioprocessing: Bioprinting of Multi-Organoid Fabrication

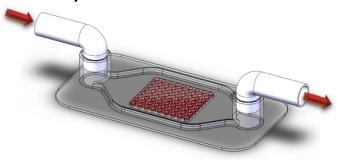
### 1) Printing of structural material



#### 2) Printing of liver organoids



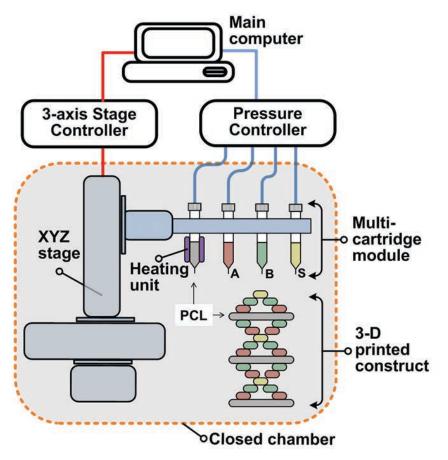
#### 3) Microfluidic device



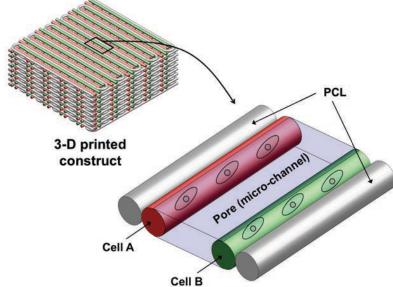


Bioprinting: Working Principle – Cells and Biomaterials

Cells and Biomaterials



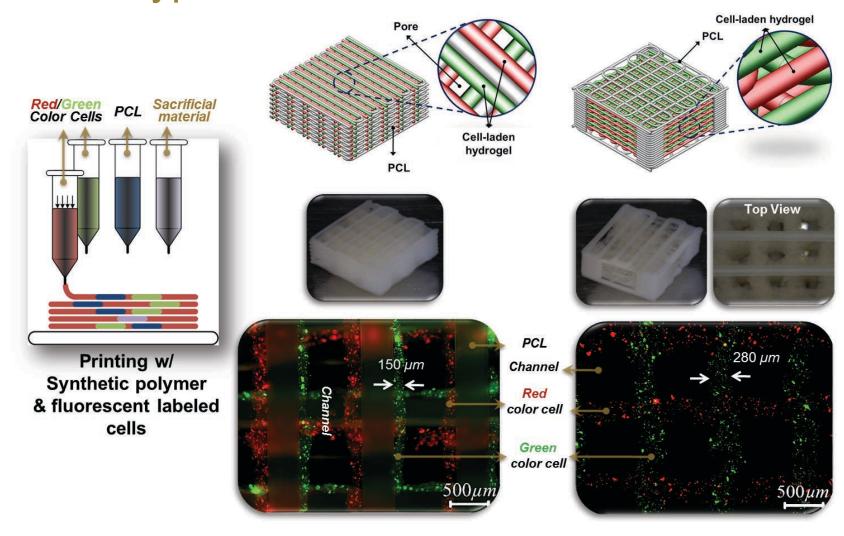




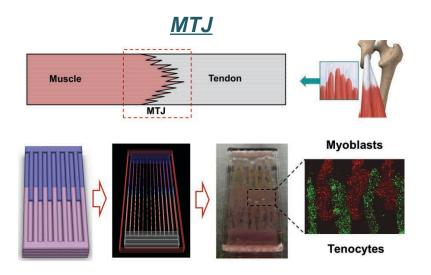
### Bioprinting: Resolution

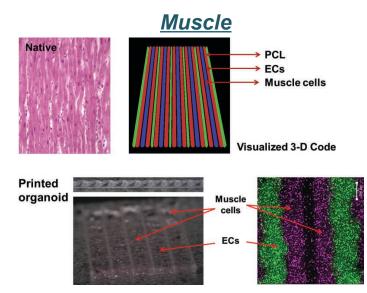
### **Dispensing Module and Nozzle** Material Printing Cell Printing **Pneumatic pressure Pneumatic pressure** Syringe heater **Nozzle**

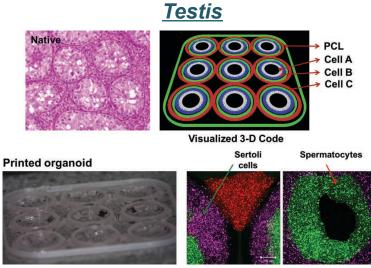
### Bioprinting: 3-D Patterning with Multiple Cell Types



### Bioprinting: 3-D Bioprinted Tissue Structures

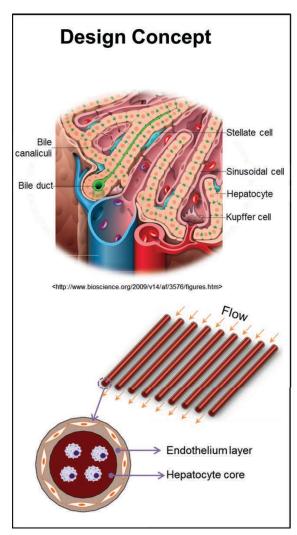


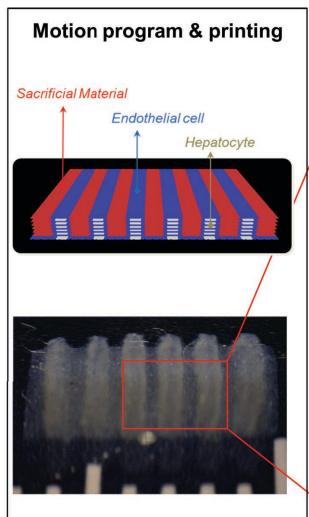


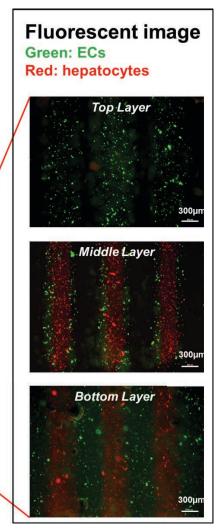


### Bioprinting: 3-D Bioprinted Liver Structure

### Rudimentary Architecture Achievable Through Bioprinting







### Tissue-Specific Biogel

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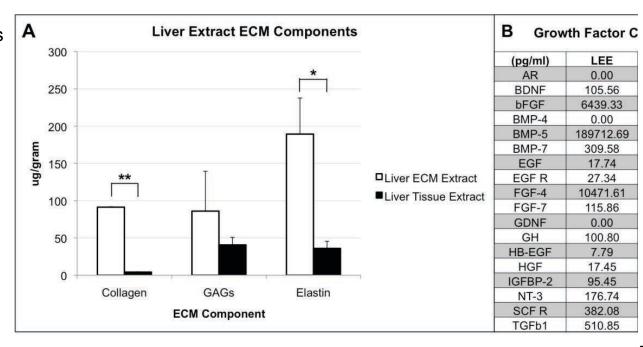


Tissue specific synthetic ECM hydrogels for 3-D in vitro maintenance of hepatocyte function

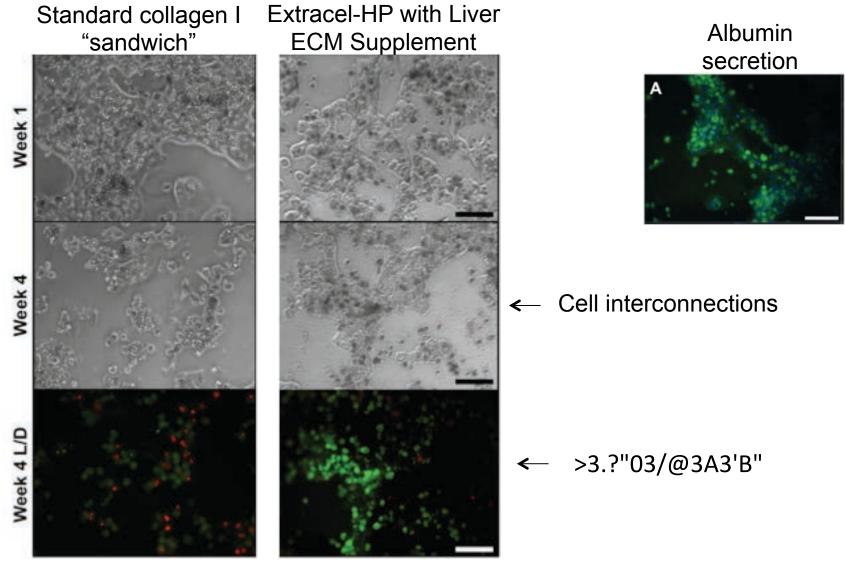
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Decellularized liver tissue is frozen, lyophilized and cryo-milled into a powder. The compound is dissolved in HCl with pepsin prior to incorporation into HAheparin gel (HP).

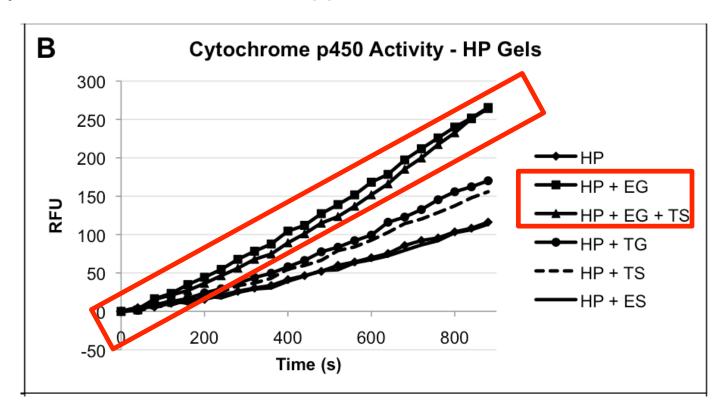


### Liver biogel supports hepatcyte culture



### Liver biogel Improves Phase I Metabolism

Metabolism of 3-cyano-7-ethoxycoumarin results in a fluorescent byproduct and is increased in primary hepatocytes cultured with ECM supplement.



EG = ECM digest TS = Whole tissue digest

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